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Applicant(s): Aksell ANTILLA et al  
Serial No.: 09/640,011  
Filed: August 17, 2004  
For: ELECTRONIC COUPON SYSTEM  
Art Unit: 3622  
Examiner: Jeffrey D. Carlson

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PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 26, 2004

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing of a Notice of Appeal within the second month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the Final Rejection mailed on February 24, 2004.

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (0171.38583X00).

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**REQUEST FOR REFUND**

**Mail Stop: Issue Fee**  
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September 21, 2004

Sir:

The Examiner's Amendment of September 13, 2004 charged the undersigned's firm's Deposit Account for a two month Extension of Time as indicated in paragraph 1 of the Examiner's Amendment, which is page 2 of the Advisory Action, of September 13, 2004.

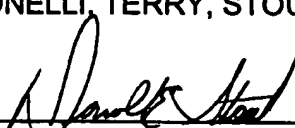
Previously, on July 26, 2004, the undersigned had filed a Notice of Appeal, along with a Petition for a two-month Extension of Time, which provided an additional two month time limit in which to file an Appeal Brief which did not expire at the time at which the Examiner entered the Examiner's Amendment on September 13, 2004. It is requested that the two-month extension of time in the amount of \$420 be credited to the undersigned's Deposit Account forthwith.

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To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (0171.38583X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/640,011	08/17/2000	Akceli Anttila	017.38583X00	4793

TITLE OF INVENTION: ELECTRONIC COUPON SYSTEM

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1330	\$0	\$1330	12/13/2004

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

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## 5. Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)

- ☐ a. Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27. ☐ b. Applicant is no longer claiming SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2).

The Director of the USPTO is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or to re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above. NOTE: The Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if required) will not be accepted from anyone other than the applicant; a registered attorney or agent; or the assignee or other party in interest as shown by the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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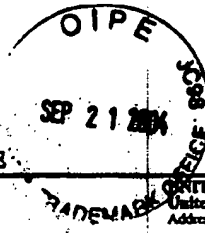
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**Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)**  
(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 694 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 694 day(s).

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Effective October 1, 2004, 37 CFR 1.18 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (c) to read as set forth below.

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### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is required in order to make an examiner's amendment which places this application in condition for allowance. During a telephone conversation conducted on 6/30/04, Donald Stout agreed to the following changes. Applicant is being charged for 2 (TWO) MONTH(S) extension of time and has previously authorized the Director to charge Deposit Account No. 01-2135 the required fee of \$420.00 for this extension and authorized the following examiner's amendment. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

- The After Final amendment filed 5/20/04 has been entered.
- The following changes describe changes made by the examiner (with respect to the marked-up claims submitted in the 5/20/04 after-final amendment).

The application has been amended as follows:

- Claim 21 line 5, "copying" has been replaced by ~~providing~~.
- Claim 32 has been rewritten as follows:

32. (Currently Amended) A data processing system for issuing coupons, comprising:

a server for generating master coupons at locations attributable to different merchants and for establishing locations attributable to customers for receiving coupons;

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a network connection allowing customers to access master coupons at said merchant locations and for the copying of master coupons at locations as customer coupons;

[said customer coupons having a benefit which varies in accordance with properties defined by the master coupon;]

a server for copying the customer coupon as a child coupon for another customer to provide a shared benefit of the customer coupon to the another customer with the child coupon; and wherein

said customer coupons have a benefit which varies in accordance with properties defined by the master coupon; and

[modifying] the data processing system modifies the benefit of the customer coupon in response to sharing a benefit of the copied customer coupon with the child coupon.

■ Claim 35 has been rewritten as follows:

35. (Currently Amended) A coupon system comprising:

a data processing system which issues a master coupon, a customer coupon and a child coupon, and wherein;

the master coupon comprises a first indicator describing at least one business at which the master coupon can be redeemed, a second indicator describing a time period during which the master coupon is valid, a third indicator describing at least one additional parameter which effects validity of the master coupon, and a fourth indicator describing a benefit of the master coupon to a redeemer, with the benefit being variable and

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depending on at least one event occurring after issuance of the master coupon; and

the customer coupon comprises a copy of the master coupon reserved for another customer at a reserved site; and wherein

the data processing system enables the child coupon [is copied] to be copied from the customer coupon and to share [shares] a benefit between the customer coupon and the child coupon; and

the customer coupon has a benefit which [is modified] the data processing system modifies by sharing the benefit with the child coupon.

#### ***Reasons For Allowance***

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicant has claimed the structure and steps for "sharing" an electronic coupon by making an electronic copy and providing it to another customer. Further, applicant claims the structure and steps for modifying the user's original coupon benefit based upon such copying/sharing. While the examiner has set forth reasons why one of ordinary skill would be motivated to "share" a coupon so as to result in a friend obtaining a coupon as well, there is no teaching or motivation to modify the benefit of the user's original coupon for doing such sharing. Barnett et al appears to be the best cited reference, especially for the teaching of varying the redemption value of an electronic coupon [col 12 lines 8-16]. Barnett et al enables value changes, but not responsive to any "sharing" of the coupon; Barnett et al does not disclose any "sharing" of coupons.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey D. Carlson whose telephone number is 703-308-3402. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30-6p, (off on alternate Fridays).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eric Stamber can be reached on 703-305-8469. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Jeffrey D. Carlson  
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description
1001 770 2001	385	Utility filing fee
1002 340 2002	170	Design filing fee
1003 530 2003	265	Plant filing fee
1004 770 2004	385	Reissue filing fee
1005 160 2005	80	Provisional filing fee

SUBTOTAL (1)

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Indep. Claims	-20** =	x	
Multiple Dependent	-3** =	x	

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above.

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	420.00
1253 690	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	330.00
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 480	2502 240	Design issue fee	
1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee	
1406 130	1480 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)	
1808 180	1808 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 770	2809 385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801 770	2801 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

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Applicant(s): Akseli ANTILLA et al  
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Art Unit: 3622  
Examiner: Jeffrey D. Carlson

**PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 26, 2004


Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing of a Notice of Appeal within the second month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the Final Rejection mailed on February 24, 2004.

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (0171.38583X00).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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